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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. P043D2C3C)

In the Application of:

FARMWALD ET AL. ) Group

Serial No: Continuation of 09/252,997

Filed: JANUARY 27, 2000 ) Examiner:

Title: INTEGRATED CIRCUIT I/O USING A

HIGH PERFORMANCE BUS INTERFACE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced application, kindly amend the application as follows:

### IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please delete the Abstract of the Disclosure and substitute the attached Abstract of the Disclosure.

### IN THE TITLE:

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Please delete the title and substitute -METHOD OF OPERATING

A MEMORY DEVICE HAVING A VARIABLE DATA INPUT LENGTH 🕂 .

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, line 8, insert — This application is a continuation of Application No. 09/252,997 (still pending), which is a Filed 2/19/19

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